Appendix C

Marine Protected Areas

MPA Site Name	MPA Description	MPA Restrictions of Interest to Mariners				MPA Management Approach									Managing Agency and Contact Information
		Navio	gation	Fish	ning	Conservation/ Management Level of Protection Focus				tion					
		Vessel Traffic	Anchoring	Commercial Fishing	Recreational Fishing	Natural Heritage	Cultural Heritage	Sustainable Production	Uniform Multiple Use	Zoned Multiple Use	Zoned (No Take Areas)	No Take	No Impact	No Access	
Southern Nearshore Lobster Waters	Created for fisheries management purposes; located in state and Federal waters along the continental shelf off Mid-Atlantic coast, stretching from Long Island to Cape Hatteras.			_	•	•		•	•						National Marine Fisheries Service, HQ (301–713–2379) NE Region (978–281–9300)
Waters off New Jersey Closure	Harbor porpoise protection. Located along NJ and Long Island coasts, including state and Federal waters; < 300-foot depth. Bounded by a line from RI shoreline (41°18.2°N., 71°51.5°N) to Race Point (Fishers Island), then southeast to intersection with three mile line east of Montauk Point, thence along three mile line to intersection with 72°30°W, to intersection with 38°47°N, thence west along 38°47°N to DE shoreline.			^	_	•		•	•						National Marine Fisheries Service, HQ (301–713–2379) NE Region (978–281–9300)
Mid-Atlantic Coastal Waters Area	Restricts gillnets for protection of large whales. Large area from NY to NC. Bounded by south shore of Long Island at 72°30'W, thence south to 33°51'N, thence west to NC/SC border.			_	•	•		•	•						National Marine Fisheries Service, HQ (301–713–2379) NE Region (978–281–9300)
Other Northeast Gillnet Waters Area	Created for protection of large whales. Large area off Mid-Atlantic and New England coastline not otherwise part of anchored gillnet restricted area. Area includes most of Gulf of Maine, shallow water area along Georges Bank, and deeper water area south of Georges Bank. In Mid-Atlantic, it includes area east of 33°51'W.			^	_	•			•						National Marine Fisheries Service, HQ (301–713–2379) NE Region (978–281–9300)
Offshore Lobster Waters	Created for fisheries management purposes. Large area in EEZ waters from US/Canada border to Cape Hattaras, NC; located off New England and Mid-Atlantic. In the north, this area includes part of Gulf of Maine and Georges Bank.			•	•	•		•	•						National Marine Fisheries Service, HQ (301–713–2379) NE Region (978–281–9300)
Southern Mid-Atlantic Waters Closure Area	Bounded by DE shoreline at 38°47'N extending east to 72°30'W, then south to 33°51'N, then west to NC/SC border; designed to protect harbor porpoise.			•	^	•		•	•						National Marine Fisheries Service, HQ (301–713–2379) NE Region (978–281–9300)
Sedge Islands Marine Conservation Zone	Unique zone in NJ, surrounding Sedge Islands and associated riparian areas north of Barnegat Inlet, from MHW to 300 feet offshore along east edge of Barnagut Bay; extends ~1 mile N of Johnny Allen's Cove.	_		_		•			•						NJ Deptartment of Environmental Protection, State Park Service (609–984–0370) On-Site Info (732–793–0506)
Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge	Includes large land tracts on southwest shore of Barnegat Bay and that portion of the bay extending 1/2 mille from southwest shore of High Bar Island.	x	х		^	•		•			•				Fish and Wildlife Service, HQ (703–358–1744) NE Region (413–253–8200) On-Site Info (609–652–1665)

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Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge	East shore of Delmarva Peninsula. Includes Assawoman Island (Assawoman Inlet and Houseboat Creek), Northern Cedar Island (Big and Little Thrasher Guts, and Sand Beach Channel), and Metompkin Island (Gorgothy Creek at VA Inside Passage).				•	•		•		•					Fish and Wildlife Service, HC (703–358–1744) NE Region (413–253–8200) On-Site Info (757–336–6122)
Wallops Island National Wildlife Refuge	West boundary runs along Highway 175 just east of Atlantic. East boundary is edge of Little Simoneaston Creek.	X	x			•			•						Fish and Wildlife Service, HC (703–358–1744) Regional (413–253–8200) On-Site Info (757–336–6122)
Mockhorn Island Wildlife Management Area	Bounded on east by South Bay, to north by Sand Shoal Channel, northwest by Mockhorn Bay, and southwest by Magothy Bay.	X	X												VA Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (757–253–7072)
Blue Crab Sanctuary	In main stem of Chesapeake Bay from MD/VA border to line three miles offshore of COLREGS demarcation at the bay mouth, including north facing shoreline of VA from Ocean View to Cape Henry, with east/west boundaries following 25-foot isobath within bay.			^	^			•	•						VA Marine Resources Commission (757–247–2200
Hampton Flats Hard Clam Harvest Area	Located along north shore of James River within Hampton Roads, beginning at Newport News Boat Harbor.	x	x	_	_										VA Marine Resources Commission (757–247–2200
Chesapeake Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve	Four components along York River (1) Goodwin Islands in southeast Mobjack Bay (2) Catlett Islands located 19 miles upstream from river mouth (3) Taskinas Creek 24 miles from river mouth (4) Sweet Hall Marsh on Pamunkey River.					•				•					Virginia Institute of Marine Science (804–684–7000)
Caledon Natural Area	On lower Potomac River, a 2,587-acre site, ~19 miles east of Fredericksburg.					•	•		•						VA DCR State Parks (804–786–1712) On-site Info (540–663–3861)
Martin National Wildlife Refuge	In lower Chesapeake Bay, encompassing north half of Smith Island. Located between east shore of VA and Tangier Island. Centered at ~38°N., 76°W.					•					•				Fish and Wildlife Service, HG (202–208–6843) NE Region (413–253–8200) On-Site Info (410–228–2692)
Chesapeake Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve - Maryland	A multi-component area. Components located northeast of Baltimore at Otter Point Creek, lower east shore at Monie Bay and 18 miles east of the District at Jug Bay.					•			•						MD DNR HQ (410–260–836) On-Site Info (410–260–8730)
Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge	On MD Chesapeake shore, ~10.5 miles south of Cambridge. Convoluted boundary centered at ~38.4*N., 76.1*W in Blackwater and Nanticoke River watersheds.					•					•				Fish and Wildlife Service, HC (703–358–1744) NE Region (413–253–8200) On-Site Info (410–228–2677)

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